

REMARKS

At the outset, the Examiner is thanked for the thorough review and consideration of the pending application. The Office Action dated April 9, 2010 has been received and its contents

By this Response, claim 1 has been amended. No new matter has been added. Claims 1 and 26-33 are pending in the application with claim 33 being allowed. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the pending claims.

The Office Action rejects claims 1 and 26-32 under 35 U.S.C. 112, first paragraph, as failing to comply with the written description requirement. Claim 1 has been amended. Applicant believes the rejection is overcome. For at least this reason, Applicants submit that claims 26-32, which depend on claim 1 variously, are allowable.

Reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejection are requested.

Applicants believe the foregoing amendments place the application in condition for allowance and early, favorable action is respectfully solicited.

If for any reason the Examiner finds the application other than in condition for allowance, the Examiner is requested to call the undersigned attorney at (202) 496-7500 to discuss the steps necessary for placing the application in condition for allowance. All correspondence should continue to be sent to the below-listed address.

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